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ACCESSION NUMBER: 95347605 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 95347605 PubMed ID: 7622057  
TITLE: Microbial secretion of biologically active human transforming growth factor alpha fused to the Streptomyces protease inhibitor.  
AUTHOR: Taguchi S; Misawa S; Yoshida Y; Momose H  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Biological Science and Technology, Science University of Tokyo, Chiba, Japan.  
SOURCE: GENE, (1995 Jul 4) 159 (2) 239-43.  
Journal code: 7706761. ISSN: 0378-1119.  
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AB A secretory production system for the active form of transforming growth factor alpha (TGF alpha) was established in Streptomyces lividans using a gene encoding the secretory protease inhibitor, Streptomyces subtilisin inhibitor (SSI). It was demonstrated that deletion of one of the putative dual ssi terminators is effective to extracellularly produce a **heterologous** polypeptide in a fused form. The recombinant fusion protein, SSI::TGF alpha, was purified to homogeneity by a combination of hydrophobic chromatography and reverse-phase high-performance liquid chromatography (RP-HPLC). It was noteworthy that the SSI::TGF alpha **hybrid protein** exhibited bifunctional activity: the TGF alpha activity for cell growth promotion and the inhibitory activity of SSI. Taken together with the results of analytical gel filtration, these findings strongly indicate that each moiety in the fusion protein correctly folds and the whole hybrid molecule exists in a dimeric form, which results in its bifunctional activity.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 96004457 MEDLINE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 96004457 PubMed ID: 7551026

TITLE: Recombinant BCG expressing the leishmania surface antigen Gp63 induces protective immunity against Leishmania major infection in BALB/c mice.

AUTHOR: Abdelhak S; Louzir H; Timm J; Blel L; Benlasfar Z; Lagranderie M; Gheorghiu M; Dellagi K; Gicquel B

CORPORATE SOURCE: Unite de Genetique Mycobacterienne (CNRS URA 1300), Institut Pasteur de Paris, France.

SOURCE: MICROBIOLOGY, (1995 Jul) 141 ( Pt 7) 1585-92.

Journal code: 9430468. ISSN: 1350-0872.

PUB. COUNTRY: ENGLAND: United Kingdom

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FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals

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AB We have cloned and expressed the gp63 gene of Leishmania major in BCG to develop a recombinant vaccine against zoonotic cutaneous leishmaniasis. Two different expression systems were investigated. The first system consists of pAN, a Mycobacterium paratuberculosis promoter, which drives expression of ORF2, an open reading frame in IS900. This system allows the production of **heterologous** polypeptides as hybrids with the ORF2 gene product. The second expression system relies on the production of antigenic fragments as fusion proteins with the N-terminal region of Mycobacterium fortuitum beta-lactamase. Both constructs resulted in the production of Gp63 in BCG. The ability of the two recombinant BCG strains to induce protective immunity against a challenge with L. major amastigotes was evaluated after vaccination of susceptible (BALB/c), and resistant (C57BL/6) mice. Recombinant BCG producing Gp63 as a **hybrid protein** with the N-terminal region of the beta-lactamase elicited significant protection against a challenge with L. major in BALB/c-immunized mice.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 97158650 MEDLINE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 97158650 PubMed ID: 9006010

TITLE: Linker mutagenesis of the *Caulobacter crescentus* S-layer protein: toward a definition of an N-terminal anchoring region and a C-terminal secretion signal and the potential for **heterologous** protein secretion.

AUTHOR: Bingle W H; Nomellini J F; Smit J

CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Microbiology and Immunology, The University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada.

SOURCE: JOURNAL OF BACTERIOLOGY, (1997 Feb) 179 (3) 601-11.

Journal code: 2985120R. ISSN: 0021-9193.

PUB. COUNTRY: United States

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AB Linker insertion mutagenesis was used to modify the paracrystalline surface layer (S-layer) protein (RsaA) of the gram-negative bacterium *Caulobacter crescentus*. Eleven unique BamHI linker insertions in the cloned *rsaA* gene were identified; at the protein level, these linker insertions introduced 4 to 6 amino acids at positions ranging from the extreme N terminus to the extreme C terminus of the 1,026-amino-acid RsaA protein. All linker-peptide insertions in the RsaA N terminus caused the secreted protein to be shed into the growth medium, suggesting that the RsaA N terminus is involved in cell surface anchoring. One linker-peptide insertion in the RsaA C terminus (amino acid 784) had no effect on S-layer biogenesis, while another (amino acid 907) disrupted secretion of the protein, suggesting that RsaA possesses a secretion signal lying C terminal to amino acid 784, near or including amino acid 907. Unlike extreme N- or C-terminal linker-peptide insertions, those more centrally located in the RsaA primary sequence had no apparent effect on S-layer biogenesis. By using a newly introduced linker-encoded restriction site, a 3' fragment of the *rsaA* gene encoding the last 242 C-terminal amino acids of the S-layer protein was expressed in *C. crescentus* from **heterologous** *Escherichia coli* *lacZ* transcription and translation initiation information. This C-terminal portion of RsaA was secreted into the growth medium, confirming the presence of a C-terminal secretion signal. The use of the RsaA C terminus for the secretion of **heterologous** proteins in *C. crescentus* was explored by fusing 109 amino acids of an envelope glycoprotein from infectious hematopoietic necrosis virus, a pathogen of salmonid fish, to the last 242 amino acids of the RsaA C terminus. The resulting **hybrid protein** was successfully secreted into the growth medium and accounted for 10% of total protein in a stationary-phase culture. Based on these results and features of the RsaA primary sequence, we propose that the *C. crescentus* S-layer protein is secreted by a type I secretion system, relying on a stable C-terminal secretion signal in a manner analogous to *E. coli* alpha-hemolysin, the first example of an S-layer protein secreted by such

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999421688 MEDLINE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 99421688 PubMed ID: 10491129

TITLE: Functional complementation analysis of **yeast** bcl mutants. A study of the mitochondrial import of **heterologous** and **hybrid** proteins.

AUTHOR: van Wilpe S; Boumans H; Lobo-Hajdu G; Grivell L A; Berden J A

CORPORATE SOURCE: Section for Molecular biology, Department of Molecular Cell Biology, BioCentrum, University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

SOURCE: EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF BIOCHEMISTRY, (1999 Sep) 264 (3) 825-32.

Journal code: 0107600. ISSN: 0014-2956.

PUB. COUNTRY: GERMANY: Germany, Federal Republic of Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)

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AB Previous complementation studies with **yeast** bcl mutants, defective in subunit VII or VIII, using **heterologous** and **hybrid** subunits, suggested that the requirement for import into mitochondria might significantly restrict the scope of this test for compatible proteins. Prediction algorithms indicate that the N-terminal domain of subunit VII contains all known characteristics of a mitochondrial targeting signal, whereas in subunit VIII such a signal is absent from the N-terminal domain, but possibly present in an internal region of the protein. Despite the fact that the characteristics of a mitochondrial import signal are found in the N-terminus of all known subunit-VII orthologues, in vitro import experiments show that the protein of human origin is not imported into **yeast** mitochondria. In vitro import can be restored, however, by replacement of the N-terminal part of the human protein by the N-terminus of the *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* orthologue, indicating a requirement for species-specific elements. Similar experiments were performed with subunit VIII and orthologues thereof, including a **hybrid** protein in which the N-terminus of the bovine heart orthologue was replaced by that of *S. cerevisiae*. The ability of **yeast** mitochondria to import this **hybrid** protein, in contrast with the bovine subunit-VIII orthologue itself, indicates that for subunit VIII also the N-terminus, in contradiction of theoretical predictions, contributes to the targeting signal, most likely via species-specific elements. Our findings expose the limitations of the currently available criteria for prediction of the presence and location of a mitochondrial targeting sequence and highlight the necessity of performing separate import studies for interpreting complementation studies as long as the species-specific characteristics of

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 88015615 MEDLINE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 88015615 PubMed ID: 2821510

TITLE: The production of **hybrid** Ty:IFN virus-like particles in **yeast**.

AUTHOR: Malim M H; Adams S E; Gull K; Kingsman A J; Kingsman S M

CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Biochemistry, University of Oxford, UK.

SOURCE: NUCLEIC ACIDS RESEARCH, (1987 Sep 25) 15 (18) 7571-80.

Journal code: 0411011. ISSN: 0305-1048.

PUB. COUNTRY: ENGLAND: United Kingdom

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LANGUAGE: English

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AB The **yeast** retrotransposon Ty encodes proteins that assemble into virus-like particles (Ty-VLPs) which can be readily purified. We have recently shown that expression of the p1 protein encoded by the TYA gene of Ty is sufficient for particle formation. In this paper we show that when a **heterologous** coding sequence, human interferon-alpha 2 (IFN), is fused in frame to the TYA gene, the resulting p1-IFN fusion protein is still assembled into VLPs. These Ty:IFN-VLPs can be easily purified to near homogeneity and furthermore, they induce an antibody response to interferon when they are injected into rabbits. Therefore, these data show that **hybrid** Ty-VLPs can be used as a convenient

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 88185830 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 88185830 PubMed ID: 3328732  
TITLE: High level expression of proinsulin in the **yeast**,  
Saccharomyces cerevisiae.  
AUTHOR: Cousens L S; Shuster J R; Gallegos C; Ku L L; Stempien M M;  
Urdea M S; Sanchez-Pescador R; Taylor A; Tekamp-Olson P  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Chiron Corporation, Emeryville, CA 94608.  
SOURCE: GENE, (1987) 61 (3) 265-75.  
Journal code: 7706761. ISSN: 0378-1119.  
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AB Human proinsulin (PI) has been expressed to a high level (100 mg/liter) as a human superoxide dismutase-PI fusion protein in the **yeast**, Saccharomyces cerevisiae. At the junction of the two proteins is a methionine residue, allowing PI to be released from the fusion by reaction with cyanogen bromide. The fusion is expressed using a regulated, **hybrid** promoter containing the regulatory region of the alcohol dehydrogenase II promoter and the 3' end of a glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase promoter, allowing the recombinant **yeast** cells to be stably maintained. Production of the fusion protein is induced by growth in medium lacking a fermentable carbon source. The **heterologous** fusion protein is probably insoluble within the cell, since electron microscopy reveals the presence of 'inclusion bodies'. In a cell-free extract the fusion protein is also insoluble, but can be solubilized with sodium dodecyl sulfate, and cleaved with cyanogen bromide. The PI that is produced contains incorrect disulfide bonds. After sulfitolysis, the product can be easily purified, renatured, and processed

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 89003160 MEDLINE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 89003160 PubMed ID: 2458849

TITLE: The secretion and post translational modification of interferons from *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*.

AUTHOR: Piggott J R; Watson M E; Doel S M; Goodey A R; Carter B L

CORPORATE SOURCE: G.D. Searle & Co., Limited, Buckinghamshire, UK.

SOURCE: CURRENT GENETICS, (1987) 12 (8) 561-7.

Journal code: 8004904. ISSN: 0172-8083.

PUB. COUNTRY: United States

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LANGUAGE: English

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AB Studies with three interferon molecules, IFN-alpha 2, IFN-beta 1, and a "**hybrid**" interferon, IFNX-430 are described which illustrate that both the expression and secretion characteristics of **heterologous** proteins in **yeast** cells reflect properties of the proteins themselves. Recombinant DNA techniques have also been used to demonstrate that the efficient processing of mature **heterologous** proteins from the **yeast** alpha factor secretion leader can be affected by sequences on the carboxyl side of the initial cleavage site. Secretion studies with **heterologous** proteins in *S. cerevisiae* are aimed at maximising yield, the percentage of extracellular product and correct amino terminus sequence. The results presented here show that all three factors are susceptible to currently unpredictable properties of the foreign sequence. This situation, in turn, means that **heterologous** proteins can be used as tools in the biochemical dissection of the **yeast** secretion process.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 91316134 MEDLINE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 91316134 PubMed ID: 1859838

TITLE: The use of genetic engineering to obtain efficient production of porcine pancreatic phospholipase A2 by *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*.

AUTHOR: Bekkers A C; Franken P A; Van den Bergh C J; Verbakel J M; Verheij H M; De Haas G H

CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Enzymology and Protein Engineering, State University of Utrecht, The Netherlands.

SOURCE: BIOCHIMICA ET BIOPHYSICA ACTA, (1991 Jul 23) 1089 (3) 345-51.

Journal code: 0217513. ISSN: 0006-3002.

PUB. COUNTRY: Netherlands

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AB We have developed an efficient production system for porcine pancreatic phospholipase A2 in *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* (baker's **yeast**). The cDNA encoding the phospholipase A2 was expressed under the control of the galactose inducible GAL7 promotor, and secretion was directed by the secretion signals of **yeast** invertase. This construct yielded up to 6 mg phospholipase A2 activity per l fermentation broth, secreted as a glycosylated invertase phospholipase A2 **hybrid** protein. Upon genetically deleting the glycosylation site, the level of secretion decreased to 3.6 mg phospholipase A2 per l. Changing the invertase secretion signals for an invertase/alpha-mating factor prepro sequence-fusion increased the secretion level up to 8 mg per l. The secreted non-glycosylated phospholipase A2 species was correctly processed. Our results demonstrate the promises and limitations for rational design to obtain high level expression and secretion of



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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998231060 MEDLINE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 98231060 PubMed ID: 9569602

TITLE: Expression and secretion of beta-galactosidase in  
Saccharomyces cerevisiae using the signal sequences of  
GgpI, the major **yeast**  
glycosylphosphatidylinositol-containing protein.

AUTHOR: Pignatelli R; Vai M; Alberghina L; Popolo L

CORPORATE SOURCE: Dipartimento di Fisiologia e Biochimica Generali,  
Universita degli Studi di Milano, Italy.

SOURCE: BIOTECHNOLOGY AND APPLIED BIOCHEMISTRY, (1998 Apr) 27 ( Pt  
2) 81-8.

Journal code: 8609465. ISSN: 0885-4513.

PUB. COUNTRY: ENGLAND: United Kingdom

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AB New secretory signals and strategies can be attempted to improve the  
secretion of **heterologous** proteins of biotechnological interest  
which encounter difficulties being exported in **yeast**. The GGPI  
gene of Saccharomyces cerevisiae codes for a 125 kDa glycoprotein  
transported through the secretory pathway and anchored to the plasma  
membrane by means of a glycosylphosphatidylinositol. The regions coding  
for the secretory signal or also for the first 46 amino acids were tested  
for efficiency in secretion by fusion to the lacZ gene of Escherichia coli  
resulting in the synthesis of the endoplasmic reticulum-targeted 1-22- and  
1-68-GgpIp/beta-gal hybrids. A cytoplasmic form was also examined. The  
1-22 beta gal is partially transported to the cell surface and in the  
medium in an unglycosylated form. The 1-68 beta gal is completely retained  
in the intracellular membranes and is N-glycosylated in the GgpIp moiety.  
The amount of **hybrid** protein produced is similar and independent  
from its targeted site, suggesting that translocation through endoplasmic  
reticulum is not a limiting step, whereas the amount of active enzyme is  
from 50 to 80% lower for the endoplasmic reticulum forms compared with the  
cytoplasmic form. BiP/Kar2p putative precursor is accumulated in cells  
expressing the endoplasmic reticulum-targeted forms but not in those  
producing the cytosolic beta-galactosidase or over-expressing an  
endogenous secretory protein. Thus, glycosylation and abnormal folding  
rather than over-expression are among the factors responsible for the  
decreased activity and exit of beta-galactosidase from the endoplasmic  
reticulum and for induction of BiP. The results obtained indicate that the  
sole secretory signal of GgpIp is suitable to drive secretion of foreign  
products with complex folding and point to the importance of the  
endoplasmic reticulum quality control in the secretion of  
**heterologous** proteins in **yeast**.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999421688 MEDLINE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 99421688 PubMed ID: 10491129

TITLE: Functional complementation analysis of **yeast** bcl mutants. A study of the mitochondrial import of **heterologous** and **hybrid** proteins.

AUTHOR: van Wilpe S; Boumans H; Lobo-Hajdu G; Grivell L A; Berden J A

CORPORATE SOURCE: Section for Molecular biology, Department of Molecular Cell Biology, BioCentrum, University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

SOURCE: EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF BIOCHEMISTRY, (1999 Sep) 264 (3) 825-32.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 87305591 MEDLINE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 87305591 PubMed ID: 2957274

TITLE: Detection of **heterologous** fusion proteins in  
Escherichia coli with a monoclonal antibody.

AUTHOR: Zweig M; Showalter S D; Du Bois G C; Sisk W P; Court D L

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SOURCE: GENE, (1987) 55 (1) 47-53.

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AB Several laboratories have constructed expression vectors for the production of **heterologous** fusion proteins containing the N-terminal 13 amino acids of the bacteriophage lambda cII-coded protein in Escherichia coli. We have prepared a monoclonal antibody to a synthetic peptide having this CII amino acid sequence and have found that this antibody reacts with authentic CII protein in Western blot tests and with most CII peptide-containing fusion proteins in both radioimmunoprecipitation and Western blot assays. However, there are some CII-**hybrid protein** species with which the antibody does not react. Our findings indicate that this antibody is a valuable tool for detecting and purifying expressed proteins and in studying their structure and function.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 91144806 MEDLINE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 91144806 PubMed ID: 2288714

TITLE: Exploiting the cell membrane for the production of  
**heterologous** proteins in Escherichia coli.

AUTHOR: Lundell D; Lunn C; Greenberg R; Fossetta J; Narula S;  
Kastelein R; Van Kimmenade A

CORPORATE SOURCE: Biotechnology-Molecular Biology, Schering-Plough Research,  
Bloomfield, New Jersey 07003.

SOURCE: BIOTECHNOLOGY AND APPLIED BIOCHEMISTRY, (1990 Oct) 12 (5)  
567-78.

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AB The bacterial membrane serves both as a cell organelle and as a barrier for segregating the metabolically active cytoplasm from the extracellular milieu. Thus we can use plasmid vectors designed to produce a **hybrid protein** containing an efficient signal peptide coupled to the amino terminus of the cloned **heterologous** protein (secretion cloning vectors) for the production of proteins which are insoluble, proteolytically sensitive, or bacteriocidal when produced in the cytoplasm of Escherichia coli. We demonstrate that human granulocyte-macrophage colony stimulating factor can be isolated as an active species only after transport into the bacterial periplasm. Production of the protein in the bacterial cytoplasm is bacteriocidal. We also demonstrate that biologically active human interleukin 4 appears only after transport of the protein into the bacterial growth medium. The protein forms membrane-associated aggregates in the cytoplasm, and demonstrates an active but nonnative conformation when expressed in the periplasm. This may correlate with the affinity of the interleukin 4 molecule for negatively charged macromolecules, including bacterial membrane components and bacterial lipopolysaccharides, which may alter the